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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This responds to your letter of 21 July.

Enclosed you will find the list of numbers given to your requests, with the shorthand descriptions used by us. Note that we have, indeed, included the name Yuri Nosenko, currently under F-76-143.

In regard to your request for an organizational chart of this Agency, we quote in part from the CIA Act of 1949, Section 6:

"...the Agency shall be exempted from the provisions of section 654 of Title 5, and the provisions of any other law which require the publication or disclosure of the organization, functions, names, official titles, salaries, or numbers of personnel employed by the Agency...."

As you can see from this language, a formal request from you would have to be denied under (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act as being specifically exempted by statute.

Request number F-75-6669 is broadly comprehensive on the Kennedy assassination and the investigation thereof, and obviously overlaps and duplicates some of your more specific requests. You have described a "new request" which duplicates in part what has recently been requested by Mark Allen. However, any documents responsive to this "new request" are already covered by the broad and comprehensive wording of your request under F-75-6669 and are part of the re-review currently in process and of which you are aware. Therefore, we have not assigned a new number to this request but shall continue to treat it under F-75-6669.

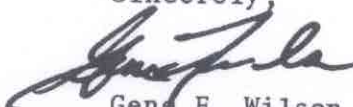


You again refer to the "the Borsages request." If you mean Borosage, we do not have a request from him on the Kennedy assassination topic. We reiterate our belief that you were possibly confusing the name Borsage with Belin who did make a similar request and who did receive exactly the same documents released to you, nothing more.

Regarding the name Hugh McDonald, first raised in your letter of 2 March 1976, we were given insufficient biographical information with which to make any positive identification. In light of your language, "If you can confirm or deny that McDonald was ever an Agency employee of any kind....So, if there is any information you can let me have I would appreciate it. I will not contest a negative decision....", we did not record this as a formal request warranting a separate number. However, you should understand that under the same provision of the CIA Act of 1949 quoted above, we would have to provide a formal denial under FOIA (b)(3) of any document responsive to such a request.

Finally, although not raised by your letter of 21 July, we must advise you that certain of the documents found responsive to your F-76-382 on Martin Luther King, Jr., have necessarily been referred to another component for review. We shall not be able to get our response to you on this request by the end of this month as earlier projected, but shall do our best to expedite it when the materials reach our hands.

Sincerely,



Gene F. Wilson
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosure

Requests of Harold Weisberg

F-75-004 Personal (subsumed under F-75-4927)
F-75-4765 Yuri Nosenko, etc. (subsumed under F-76-143)
F-75-4927 Personal
F-75-6669 Kennedy assassination
F-75-6838 Materials given to FDR
F-76-105 Heine affidavits
F-76-143 Yuri Nosenko, etc.
F-76-149 Olson papers
F-76-219 Rocca source material
F-76-382 Martin Luther King, Jr.
F-76-405 1967 CIA review of Kennedy assassination info
F-76-437 CIA's use of Rocca
F-76-438 Behavior modification